

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 and 4-8 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the title and claims 1, 4 and 6 are amended and claim 3 is canceled. Reconsideration of the present application based on the above amendments and the followings remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 3-7 contain allowable subject matter, and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the features of the base claim. Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 3, and allowable claim 6 has been amended to independently recite the features of base claim 1.

I. The Title Satisfies All Formal Requirements

The Office Action objects to the title as not being descriptive. As such, in accordance with the Office Action's suggestion, the title of the invention has been amended to recite "Electro-Optical Device Having Storage Capacitor Laminated Between Data Line and Pixel Electrode". Withdrawal of the objection to the title is respectfully requested.

II. The Claims Satisfy All Formal Requirements

The Office Action objects to claim 4 because of informalities. As such, in accordance with the Office Action's suggestion, the feature "a barrier layer forming a film of the data line" has been amended to recite "a barrier layer formed of the same film as the data line". Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

III. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,313,481 to Ohtani; and claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ohtani in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,986,723 to Nakamura. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

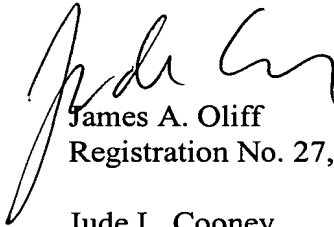
As discussed above, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 3. Therefore, this rejection is moot with respect to claim 1. Claims 2 and 8 are allowable at least for their dependency on an allowable base claim.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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